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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, enclosed are two references relating to the aboveidentified application. For the convenience of the Examiner, the references are listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08

Applicants thank Examiner Lee for the telephonic conference call held on March 10, 2010 regarding the submission of the attached Japanese patents.

Applicants note that the two references are Japanese patent documents JP 10-500099 and JP 2-243633, which are submitted in the Japanese language. As discussed on March 10, 2010, the English counterparts of each of these applications were cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed March 3, 2010, namely European Patent No. EP 0732937 (counterpart of JP-10-500099) and U.S. Patent No. 5,182,109 (counterpart of JP 2-243633). As such, it was determined that an English translation of Japanese patent documents JP 10-500099 and JP 2-243633 is not required.

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered in the examination of this application and its consideration be made of written record in the application file.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted before the mailing date of a Final Office Action under § 1.113 for the above-identified application.

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In accordance with the telephonic conference call held on March 10, 2010, no fee is deemed necessary with the filing of this paper. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that are required, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 07-1896 referencing the above-identified attorney docket number.

Respectfully submitted,

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